



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	Group Art Unit: 3626
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Ashford, et al.	)	Examiner: Natalie A. Pass
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Application No.: 09/648,582	)	
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Filing Date: August 25, 2000	)	
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	)	
PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO	)	
PHYSICIANS	)	

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO  
OFFICE ACTION DATED  
SEPTEMBER 21, 2006 AND REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2007, which was made Final, applicants submit this Amendment and Response. Applicants respectfully request that this Response and the accompanying papers be made part of the official record in the above referenced application.

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